

# SOVIET DRIVES HARD ON TRIESTE AREA

Lord Nathan Arrives In Nanking

Nanking, Sept. 18.  
Lord Nathan, the British Minister of Civil Aviation, arrived here this afternoon by air from Hong Kong to confer with the Ministry of Communications regarding the recently concluded Sino-British air transport agreement.

With the aid of experts who came with him, Lord Nathan will work out with Chinese officials in the next few days the details of the projected new air services between China and British centres.

It is learned that British airlines plan to set services to this country with both flying boats and land planes.

Under the agreement, British aircraft may land at Kunming, Canton and Tientsin in addition to Shanghai, while Chinese airlines may carry traffic to London, Prestwich, Penang, Singapore, Jesselton, Labuan and Hong Kong.

Additionally, there will be allowed intermediate stops in Canada and Burma if desired.

At present the United States, French and Dutch airlines run regular services to this country. —Reuter.

Intense Nerve-War On Allied Army

Trieste, Sept. 18.  
An Allied spokesman said today that the "whole surging westward pressure of the Communist iron curtain" has been concentrated like a funnel point on the Trieste area.

He said the four-day-old "Yugoslav nerve war" in this area probably is integrated with the current unprecedented Communist Party pressure against the non-Leftist Government in Italy.

The spokesman listed these three main lines of activity in the Communist Yugoslavia: pressure campaign against the short stretch of the Italo-Yugoslav border and the borders of the tiny Free State which Marshal Tito said he considers should be part of Yugoslavia:

(1) Direct military pressure by Tito's troops, especially against the British and American outposts on the Free State frontier, to push their assigned boundary further west and south;

(2) The new all-out propaganda offensive from Belgrade, including "outrageous atrocity and slander stories against United States troops," which might serve as the usual totalitarian prelude to retaliatory action;

(3) Internal Communist pressure campaign within the tiny new State, including new strike activity and another Communist mass funeral day.

#### The Purpose

The spokesman, who is one of the best informed Allied observers in this area, pointed out the obvious result of the Yugoslav military pressure against the new frontier would be to draw most of the forces of the treaty-reduced Italian army to the northeast corner of Yugoslavia.

This would leave the Italian Government to depend only on its police forces and Carabinieri in the face of the fierce 10-day-old Communist labour agitation in which strikers numbered in millions.

He said the direct Yugoslav military pressure so far yielded no ground to Tito because two American outposts, Nos. 5 and 8, refused to accept the Yugoslav ultimatum and held their positions.

#### No Bataan

Showing the way the American military is thinking about the situation, one high Allied source said "There couldn't be another Bataan here because the American and British force in its present size would never stand any fight."

Belgrade charged that withdrawing American soldiers destroyed a hospital; burned houses

Meanwhile, in Trieste the Communist shipyard strike of 3,200 men—to protest the usurpation from their jobs of six Communists agitators (who beat up seven of the 100 Italians trying to return to work yesterday)—was today ordered investigate by the American AMG/Commander, Colonel James J. Carnes.

The strike remained peaceful despite Communist Union threat to take over the yards, as did a crowd of 8,000 Communist sympathizers who marched in the funeral parade of pro-Communist Italian Carlo Castagni, who was killed in nationalistic violence on Monday.

#### In Rome

In Rome, the Communists today made an outright demand for the resignation of the Government and their re-entry into the Cabinet for the first time since Alcide De Gasperi ousted the Communists 14 weeks ago on the strength of the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall plan.

Luigi Longo, chief Lieutenant of Fogliatti, announced that Saturday's demonstrations were aimed at "denouncing to the public" the do-Gasperi Cabinet.

He said the objective was to produce a Government—not from a single party or a single class now but a Government representative of all parties.—United Press

#### The Weather

A moderate anticyclone covering China and the Eastern Sea is moving slowly westward. A trough of low pressure extends from N Indo-China to N Luzon and thence to a large low pressure area over the Borneo.

Today's Forecast—Fresh E. winds moderate with occasional rain at first clearing during the day.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 81.6 deg. Fah. Minimum: 75.4 deg. Fah.

Rainfall: 6.7 mm.=0.26 inch. Total since Jan. 1=2024.1 mm.=80.87 inches against an average of 74.8 mm.=7.31 inches.

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Equat. .... 29.85 29.81 inches.  
Rel. Humidity .... 70 75 77  
Dew Point ..... 75 78 80 deg. F.  
Wind Direction.... ENE  
Wind Force ..... 17 21 24 knots.

#### PETKOV TO DIE

Sofia, Sept. 18.  
The High Court today confirmed the death sentence imposed on the Bulgarian Party leader, Nicola Petkov.

Both Britain and the United States had made vigorous protests against the sentence.—United Press.

## Sweden Has Her Doubts Of Russia



## Tramway Walk-Out In Balance

Whether Hong Kong is to be plunged into another major strike, barely a week after the last one has ended, will hinge on the outcome of the parleys between the tramway men and their employers this afternoon.

Tension in labour circles visibly mounted yesterday. All the utility workers employed by the Hong Kong Electric, China Light, Hong Kong Telephone and China Gas Companies have held meetings to decide on joint action in the event of the employers being not up to their expectation.

The managements of the various utility companies, on the other hand, are understood to have held emergency conferences yesterday with the object of adopting a common policy in the event of labour trouble breaking out.

Royal Naval Dockyard workers are understood to have been told by their employers that a 50 per cent rise would be given to those in the skilled category, but for the unskilled workers, an increase of about 30 per cent only was offered.

Workers of the China Bus Company on the island are also out for a showdown with their employers.

Their representatives met the management at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The meeting ended in a deadlock as the Company refused to grant the men the increased pay demanded.

Meetings of workers will be held today at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m., when the question of an ultimatum may be considered if no satisfactory reply is received from the Company.

## U.N.O. To Discuss Soviet Drive On Greece RUSSIAN REPLY TO MARSHALL AWAITED

Flushing Meadows, New York, Sept. 18.  
The Steering Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations decided last night, in spite of the Soviet and Polish opposition, that the Assembly shall discuss the United States resolution on the "threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of Greece."

The Committee also approved a proposal to set up a special committee, on which all members of the Assembly will sit, to make recommendations to the Assembly on the report by the special committee which investigated and reported on the Palestine situation.

To prevent the assembly from considering Greece.

#### Approval

The British press today approved Secretary Marshall's proposals for revision of the United Nations Charter, but expressed cautious doubt that they will lead to any improvement in keeping peace.

The Times warned: "While changes in the machinery for the settlement of disputes can improve and quicken means of conciliation, only a will to settle disturbances in the areas south of the Yangtze River."

The official title of this committee is "The Ad-Hoc Committee on the Palestine Question."

Mr. Trygve Lie, the Secretary General of the United Nations, said that he had already received several requests from organisations to be heard by the United Nations on the Palestine problem.

In its discussion, the Steering Committee made it clear that the Palestine Committee will have the status of a main committee, and will not be subordinate to any other United Nations committee.

It will be responsible only to the General Assembly.

#### Marshall Plan

Russia was generally expected today to reject U.S. Secretary of State Marshall's proposal for new UNC peace machinery and to make a stubborn—but probably future—fight in defense of its veto rights over the world security issues.

Leaders of all the UNO Assembly delegations are awaiting with keen expectation of Russia's answer to the American proposition, which calls for the creation of a special new security committee by the veto-free General Assembly.

The American delegation asked UNO Secretary General Trygve Lie last night to put the scheme on the current agenda.

The answer was scheduled to be filed by Deputy Foreign Minister Vlasovski either today or in the immediate future.

Presumably the exact time of his promised speech to the General Assembly was dependent upon the receipt of fresh instructions from Moscow.

#### Rally

Many of the small nation delegations appeared to be rallying to support the American plan and, while the positions of France and Britain were yet to be disclosed, it is believed that they will support the American position.

What may prove to be a first test vote on the American moves to get around the Russian veto is it is used on the Security Council came last night in a meeting of the General Assembly.

The U.S. proposal, which calls for the complete achievement of the ideal for which we have so valiantly struggled with fierce resistance.

The full weight of authority to mediate in the conflict which has put you one against the other, because once our goal is attained nothing can stand in the way of a return to peace.

"The peace, suffering, prosperity, and security which I shall give you shall be maintained."

"Time will calm down your passions. With all Viet Nam peoples united, we shall rebuild our beautiful country on new foundations drawing strength from the powerful traditions of our ancestors. (SD) BAO DAI"

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## Bao Dai Willing To Assume Power

In a proclamation to the Viet Nam people, Emperor Bao Dai yesterday officially accepted the power and negotiate with France for Viet Nam's independence and unity.

The former Emperor told the people that he was ready to contact the French authorities with whom "I shall examine in all objectivity the propositions which have been made to us."

The proclamation, issued to the Press by Mr. Luu Do Trung, accredited spokesman for Bao Dai, read:

#### Proclamation

"People of Viet Nam! To avoid bloodshed among my compatriots, I renounced the Throne of my ancestors. Since you wished to entrust the destiny of the country to new rulers, I decided voluntarily to withdraw myself."

"My foremost aim is to obtain independence and unity in accordance with our aspirations and to arrive at agreements on reciprocal guarantees so as to assure the complete achievement of the ideal for which we have so valiantly struggled with fierce resistance."

"I shall exert every effort to avoid being an obstacle to the new experiment which you thought would bring you happiness."

"From this foreign land where I am living, I followed at times with hope, often with sadness, the developments of the recent terrible pages of our history."

"I am well aware of all your hopes, your fears, your worries and your sufferings."

"In spite of the dictatorship which forbids freedom of speech, I today hear your appeal and cries of distress."

"You have resolved to me the whole picture of your miseries and have rendered to me a full account of the disasters suffered by our beloved Viet Nam after two years of experience during which your rulers have exercised absolute power."

"Thus, gradually, your hopes of happiness vanished—hopes which the cunning propaganda of a new ideology caused to rise in your hearts for a moment."

"In your distress you come to me. You appeal to my authority to restore to our country, devastated by war and torn apart by internal strife, a real peace between free and equal states and an integral state for full security."

"The dispatch did not mention when and where the capture and execution occurred, but claimed that the treasonable Indo-China fronte [sic] indicated that the Vietnamese [sic] army suffered the loss of leadership."

## Soviet Repar. Ship Sets A Problem

Shanghai, Sept. 18.  
The whereabouts of the 10,000-ton Soviet repair ship "Hylych" remained a mystery today, with the Chinese authorities saying the ship is anchored beyond Woosung Point and Soviet sources insisting the ship is still in Vladivostok.

The Shanghai office of the Foreign Ministry reported this week that the "Hylych" arrived at Woosung Point where the Whampoa sailors, the Yangtze 14 miles outside of Shanghai.

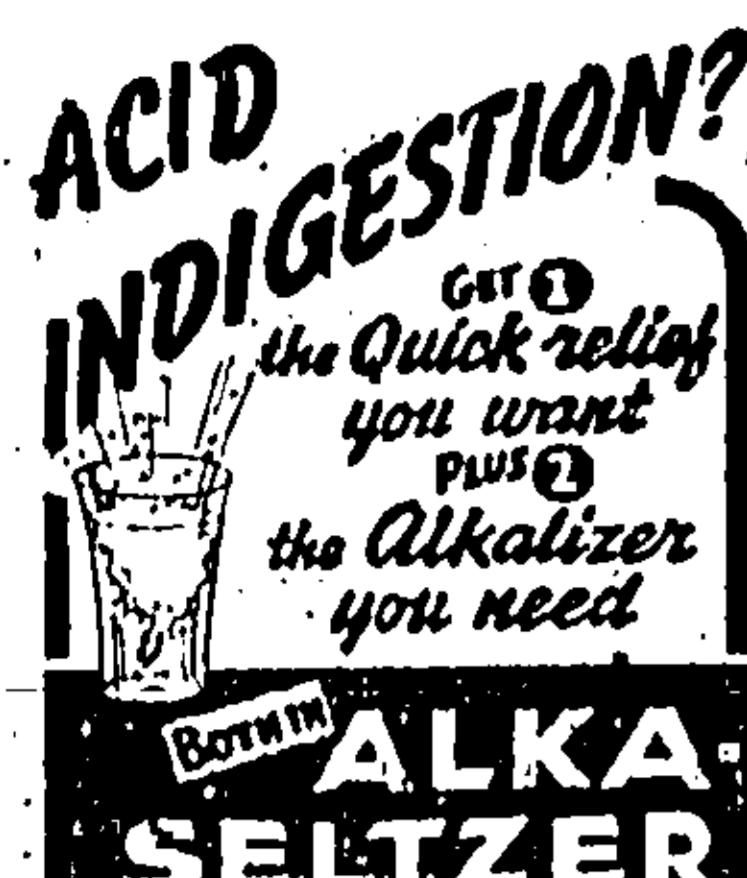
The Government indicated the "Hylych" would be detained if she came up the Whampoa.

The Shanghai authorities indicated the repartition ship which is scheduled to pick up a load of Soviet citizens on Sunday, radiated the Shanghai quarantine service two days ago whereupon the Chinese authorities said no pilot would be sent out.

Over 1,000 repatriates are awaiting to board the ship.

The Chinese authorities said the repatriates would be welcome to go to other ships.

When the Steering Committee voted Russia lost a count of 18 to 17 in the vote to full security.



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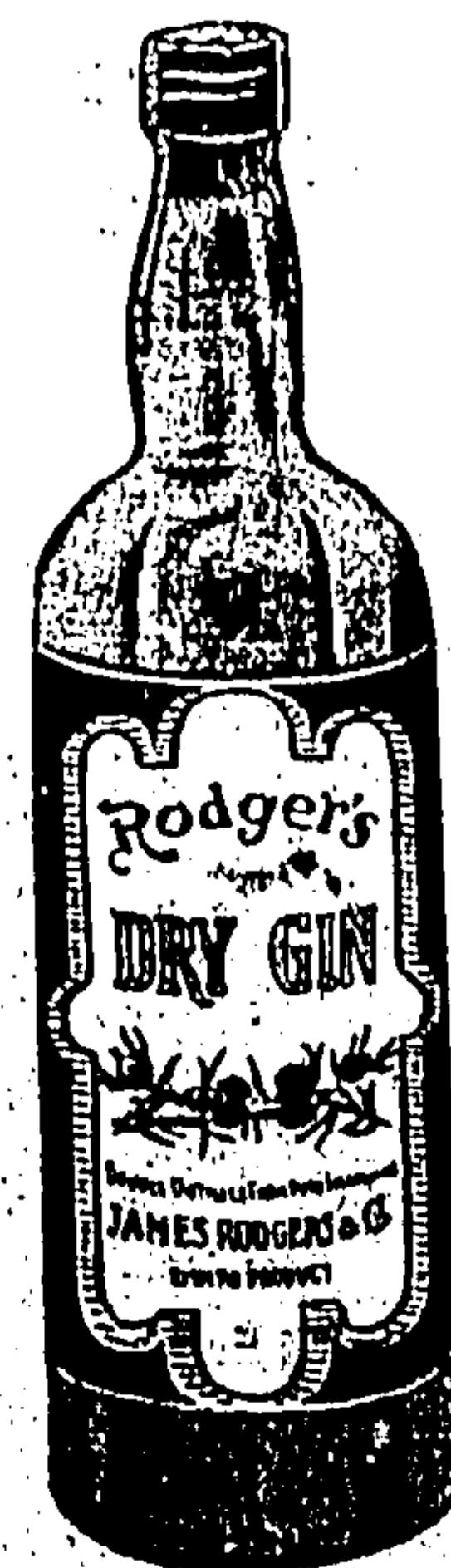
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## Full Court Pays Tribute To Late Mr. Brutton

The esteem in which the late Mr. George Kingston Hall Brutton was held, was demonstrated at the Supreme Court yesterday morning, when the Full Court assembled and tributes were paid to his memory by the Bench, Bar and Legal Profession.

The Full Court comprised Sir Henry Blackall (Chief Justice), Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Puisne Judge) and Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Additional Judge).

All members of the local Bar and legal profession, including the staff of Messrs. Brutton & Co., were present.

Sir Henry Blackall, addressing the gathering said:

"I wish to pay a tribute to the memory of Mr. George Kingston Hall Brutton, who died in England on September 14, 1947, at the ripe age of 81 years.

"Mr. Hall Brutton, at the time of his death, was the oldest practicing solicitor in Hong Kong.

He was admitted as a Solicitor in England as long ago as 1891, where he has long held a leading position in the profession.

#### Esteem

"The esteem in which he was held by his brethren is perhaps best shown by the fact that he held the high office of President of the Incorporated Law Society of Hong Kong from 1930 until 1946.

"The profession has lost a very worthy member in Mr. Hall Brutton and on behalf of the Bench, I desire to express my deepest sympathy to his relatives and to his partners, Messrs. Strellett and Ng Quinn."

Following Sir Henry, Mr. Justice Williams spoke in praise of the late Mr. Hall Brutton and referred to the fact that besides being President of the Incorporated Law Society of Hong Kong from 1930 to 1946, Mr. Hall Brutton also had the distinction of being the oldest Notary Public in the Colony and held a faculty entitling him to practise as a Notary Public in all the Dependencies and Colonies.

Mr. Justice Williams also made mention of the celebrated case in which Mr. Hall Brutton had taken part and to his services in World War I. When he commanded a Chinese Labour Corps in France and for his work received the award of the Order of the Cane (Ka W. Cheung) from the Chinese Government, an award rarely conferred on any person, particularly a foreigner.

#### "His Fame"

The Attorney General, Mr. B. Griffin said that as a newcomer he was not privileged to meet and to know the late Mr. Hall Brutton.

He had, of course, heard of his distinction and his fame. The record of Mr. Hall Brutton, said Mr. Griffin, was unequalled in any Colony.

Mr. Griffin took the opportunity of offering on behalf of the Bar in general, sincere regrets to the members of the firm which Mr. Hall Brutton had es-

## A Typhoon Baby

Tokyo, Sept. 18.—Monday's typhoon, which brought floods to wide sections of Japan this week, also gave the first name to an eight-pointed baby daughter of an army family—Kathleen.

Kathleen, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. William Hall, of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, was born on Monday night in Tokyo's 40th General Hospital just as her typhoon namesake blew the power out temporarily, plunging the hospital into darkness.—United Press.

## Leg. Council Questioned On Internee Awards

A committee was appointed by Government on August 16, 1946, to examine the position of Government servants, Volunteers and Civil Service personnel who were interned during the Japanese occupation and to make recommendations regarding the award of salary or pay in respect of that period.

The committee submitted its report on Dec. 31, 1946, and it was referred to the Secretary of State, but a decision was deferred pending consideration of similar problems which had arisen in other occupied British territories in the Far East.

This information was revealed in a reply by Government to a question put in Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo yesterday.

#### Questions

Mr. Lo asked:

- Did Government appoint a Committee with the following terms of reference—"to examine the position of Government Servants, Volunteers and Civil Defence Personnel who were not interned during the Japanese occupation of the Colony and to make recommendations regarding the award of salary or pay in respect of that period?"

(b) When was the Committee so appointed?

- When did the Committee make its report to Government?

(d) Will Government make a statement on the position generally and in particular with reference to the following points—

(i) Whether the report has been referred to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and if so what indication the Secretary of State has given as regards his acceptance and/or otherwise of the recommendations of the Committee?

(ii) When does Government expect a final decision to be reached in this matter?

#### Reply

In reply the Hon. Colonial Secretary, after confirming the appointment of the committee referred to, and transmission of its report to the Secretary of State, said:

"The Secretary of State had to consider the report in the light of similar problems which had arisen in other occupied British territories in the Far East and in the light of recommendations which have been submitted by those territories.

"Although the conditions in the different territories, under which uninterned members of the Government service had to live, varied in many respects, the treatment to be accorded to interned and non-interned personnel is a problem common to the whole area.

"The Secretary of State has recently indicated that for the above reasons it has not been possible for him to accept completely the recommendations of the Committee.

"Various modifications designed to secure a greater degree of uniformity throughout the Far Eastern Colonies are now under consideration.

"It is hoped that the scheme in its new form will prove acceptable.

By Order,  
Sgt. N. O. ROBERT,  
Adjutant, P.R.

## Record Seizure Of Contraband

In what was estimated to be the year's biggest seizure of contraband cargo, Chief Preventive Officer MacIntyre Brown's men yesterday removed between 35 and 40 tons of unclaimed ed goods from the s.s. Hong Shang.

The night before Revenue officers boarded the vessel and took off a 50-ton lighter load of cargo.

Yesterday morning additional contraband found on the Hong Shang, filled a third of the freight space of another 50-ton lighter.

The goods were packed in well-up grass matting and other cargo packing material.

Chief Preventive Officer Brown said that they had been unable to identify the goods as either Chinese or foreign.

He added that some of the contraband was seized by way of the

## NAAFI Watchman Cleared Of Charge Of Fraud

Yu For, 49-year-old watchman employed by NAAFI, was acquitted on four charges of obtaining money by false pretences and one of conspiring with another to defraud the complainants between July 28 and Aug. 5, by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Mr. Y.K. Kan appeared for the defence, and Detective Sub-Inspector MacDonald prosecuted. Giving evidence on his own behalf, defendant stated that he was engaged as a NAAFI watchman on March 29, obtaining his employment through Wong Yat-ming who introduced him to Lal Tak.

Lal Tak was, at that time, also employed by NAAFI. To get his job, said accused, he had to pay \$100 tea-money.

A few days after he had entered into his employment he met Chu Man at the Yu Heung House and, during the course of

## Personalia

The following were passengers by C.P.A. planes: R.S. Smith and M.S. Moehr (from Bangkok); E.D. Flemming, E.C.S. Adkins and W. Parsonage (to Singapore).

Mr. K.M.A. Barnett will speak on "Women's Part in the New Municipality" at a general meeting of the Hong Kong Council of Women to be held at 7.15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3 at the Y.W.C.A., Duddell Street.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel include Nat Dorfman, E.C.S. Adkins, E.D. Flemming and C.A. Watt.

Peninsula departures include Miss E.M. James, H.L. Wrigglesworth, A. Hedges, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Greenhill, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hirshfeld, S. Michalow, Mrs. S.M. Levy, D.J. Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Hoffman, D. McRoberts, Mr. and Mrs. A. Swemmlauer and F. Bertrand.

H.M.S. Opossum is scheduled to pay courtesy call to Canton from Sept. 20 to Sept. 24. The warship will be under the command of Lieutenant-Commander C.P. Norman, DSO, DSC, RN.

It will be the first of H.M.S. ships to call at Canton except for minor landing craft. Opossum will berth off Shamian during her stay in the Kwangtung capital.

The warship is a sloop of the modified Black Swan class, and belongs to the First Escort Flotilla of the British Pacific Fleet.

H.M.S. Hart is expected back this afternoon from Formosa.

The Asiatic Emigration Amendment Ordinance 1947, providing for an increase in fee payable by passage brokers, became law yesterday as it passed the second and third reading in Legislative Council. Council adjourned to Thursday, Oct. 2.

Mr. Ma Man-fai will be the Guest Speaker at the meeting of Toc H to be held this evening and his subject will be "The Legacy of Sino-British Relationships."

Toc H meet at Talbot House, 60, Mcdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30 p.m. and to the meeting this evening all interested, including ladies, are invited.

The popular Sunday evening concert of recorded music will be resumed at Talbot House on Sunday next, Sept. 21 and the programme will consist of works by Beethoven.

Mr. Kelch Hardy, ZBW Broadcasting Secretary, spoke on broadcasting at the weekly meeting of the Y's Men Club at the roof garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Money Market

Gold again declined yesterday and did not get below \$240.75 a tael. It had opened at \$348, and in the course of the day's fluctuation had reached \$330. At the close it was \$341.

Plastros opened at \$12.85 a 100 and closed at \$13.02½. Fluctuations ranged between \$12.80 and \$13.25.

Chinese National Currency futures rose from 12.1 cts to 12.45 cts for CN\$1,000. Spot was quoted nominal at 12.8 cts.

U.S. dollars had buyers at \$1.46. Sterling was a bit weaker at \$1.32.50. Australian dollars were unchanged at \$1.32.50.

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## Chinese Moslems Raid Newspaper

Peiping, Sept. 18.—Insurgents Chinese Moslems today wrecked the plant of a local newspaper, cutting a slit on their faith—one of the very rare incidents of religious violence in China.

Part of an article reprinted from a Shanghai paper in the Peiping Hsin Pao said: "Who but the Mohammedians would respect the pig?"

The Mohammedians over-powered 30 policemen and caused damage estimated at US\$20,000.—United Press.

## Two Armed Robberies

Two armed robbers were reported to the Police yesterday, one in Hong Kong at 1 p.m. and the other at Kowloon City at 7.35 a.m.

In the former, four men armed with a revolver and a pair of scissors gained admittance into the third floor of 47 Lee Garden Street, occupied by Chew Lai-sip, married woman. After binding and gagging the inmates, the intruders ransacked the place and decamped with money and property to the total value of \$912, including \$800 in cash.

According to the assistant manager of the Yiu Man Paper Dyeing Co., 142 Pau Cheung Street, ground floor, six or seven men armed with two revolvers and two daggers broke into the premises, bound and gagged the inmates, and took away \$400 in cash and clothing, jewellery, and personal property valued at about \$345.

As they kept on pressing him for the refund, and as he was not in position to do so, he advised them to bring the matter to the Police.

Holding that there was insufficient evidence to convict, His Worship discharged accused on all counts.



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## Scientists In Charge Of Empire Defence?

London, Sept. 17. Official quarters here tonight declined confirmation of a London evening newspaper report that the Committee of Imperial Defence — the supreme instrument of Services' direction — had drafted plans for the defence of the Empire as a unit of the atomic age. The report, published in the "Evening Standard," suggested that the old divisions of the Services into land, sea and air might disappear and give way to what would virtually be a compact force of scientists. Atomic force has, of course, entered into all international defence study, and a recent official White Paper made it clear that future defence would have to be related to atomic development.

Britain by now has doubtless had the benefit of the considered views of many of her experts, but nothing is known in political quarters of a cut and dried plan.—Reuter.

## Up roar In Parliament At Canberra

Canberra, Sept. 18. Opposition Leader Robert Gordon Menzies presented a motion of no confidence in Prime Minister J. B. Chifley's Government yesterday.

He challenged the Government at the opening of a new session of Parliament over its policy of nationalising Australia's private trading banks, asking whether the Prime Minister to give the people an opportunity to vote on the policy. Mr. Chifley refused to submit his proposed legislation to a referendum, maintaining that the Government under the Constitution had complete power over banking in Australia.

Up roar followed the Prime Minister's remarks. Mr. Chifley immediately adjourned the House until today.—Associated Press.

## Socialists Prefer Independence

Prague, Sept. 17. The Czechoslovak Socialists — the party of Dr. Eduard Benes, President of the Republic — today refused to join the "Socialist Unity bloc" formed last Saturday by the Communists and Social Democrats.

The party, in a statement to-night, demanded the continued cooperation of all parties within the existing Government coalition to fulfil the two-year plan and overcome the present difficulties caused by the drought.

The party is Liberal-Radical rather than Orthodox Socialist, and is the second largest party in the Constituent National Assembly, winning 55 seats at the 1946 election as compared with the Communists' 146.

The statement said: "The present difficulties cannot be mastered by discord but by the collaboration of all parties of the People's Front (the present Government coalition). The free Republic could not continue to develop in the present close atmosphere."

The Czechoslovak Socialist Party is prepared to negotiate with all parties. Nobody should be excluded from the negotiations. "We wish to remain an independent political entity, not

## Atom Scientist's Grim Picture

London, Sept. 17. Forty-two-year-old Professor N. F. Mott, one of Britain's most brilliant atomic scientists, declared today that England could never hope to defeat Russia by herself in an atomic war. He added that his scientific colleagues and the British public would soon have to start making the decision whether to align Britain with America against Russia or to put faith in an international authority along the lines suggested in the Lillenthal report.

Prof. Mott said the only important alliance between Britain and America would have for Britain to be a deterrent effect great enough to prevent war — to establish a Pax American.

"In an alliance with America, nothing that country could do would save us if war should break out against a power capable of occupying the Channel ports and equipped with atomic bombs. Fifty of these missiles launched with V-2 weapons in the present state of development could kill a quarter of the population of London and make the city uninhabitable."

Regarding the decision of what to do with plutonium when British production builds up a large stockpile, Prof. Mott said he was sure the military would urge the manufacture of bombs rather than peacetime developments.

### Bomb Argument

He said the bomb argument was this:

1. Britain could threaten retaliation against any power that might use them against her.
2. They would strengthen the hand of the Foreign Secretary in international affairs.

3. If Britain did not have them, she would have to renounce her position as a great power.

4. The bombs would be effective weapons against any attempt at a seaborne invasion involving the use of harbours.

Prof. Mott then unravelled the argument against the bomb:

### U.S.S.R. Or Germany

"The only countries against whom we could either use or threaten the use of atomic bombs in the foreseeable future are the USSR or possibly a resurgent Germany . . . now it is entirely unrealistic to suppose we can even consider atomic warfare with Russia with any chance of success without full American support; even on the doubtful assumption that we would have a greater supply of bombs, we are infinitely more vulnerable. The Russians could do us more harm with ten bombs than we could do them with a hundred."

"But if we have an alliance

### London, Sept. 17.

Mr. D. C. Abbott, Canadian Minister of Finance, who has been attending the second annual meeting of the International Bank and International Monetary Fund here, tonight described as "absolutely without foundation" reports that Canada had decided to de-value the Canadian dollar and to pay a premium on gold production.

"This is an old rumour which is resurrected every few weeks," he added.

Today's version of the report reached London from New York, where it was stated that the rumour was circulating in Wall Street.—Reuter.

### Fateful Decision

Prof. Mott suggested as another solution that Britain, when her project for atomic energy ceased to be secret, could carry on her peacetime research in collaboration with the countries of Western Europe and "indeed, any country that was willing to work in the open".

"We could let it be known that we were making no stockpile of bombs with which to attack anyone and we could give the Russians and everyone else the opportunity to come and see that this was so."

The citizens of this country may well have to decide which of these policies is the right one; whether the moral lead which the peaceful, and open development of atomic energy would give outweighs the confession of military weakness which it entails. Such a matter cannot be decided on scientific grounds alone".

Prof. Mott's essay was distributed today to all atomic scientists and will serve as a basis for discussion at their Oxford conference on Sept. 20.—United Press.

## Advance In British Issues

London, Sept. 17. A promising start was made to the new account but the trading volume was again disappointing. Yesterday's decline in British funds was followed by a sharp all-round improvement amounting to three-quarters of a point for Consuls and Treasury 2½% issues.

The rise in industrials was accompanied by a little business but iron, steels, textiles and some miscellaneous lenders benefited.

An advance in copper share prices featured the mining sections, while after a quiet day South African gold shares met with modest support in the late afternoon.

Oils were good throughout, especially Anglo-Iranians, which left off 7½d higher. Little movement was recorded in foreign bonds apart from German potash issues which, however, closed under the best.

Foreign rails were quiet while elsewhere profit-taking was again encountered in Anglo-Argentine tram debenture stocks after an early rally.—Reuter.

### FIRST ZIONIST'S REMAINS

Vienna, Sept. 17.

The Austrian Government, complying with a request from the World Jewish Congress, has agreed to transfer to Palestine the remains of Theodor Herzl, founder of Zionism, who is buried in Vienna.

Arms, illegal literature and clandestine printing presses were still being found in increasing numbers in Slovakia, the former Nazi puppet state where the plot was hatched, the paper wrote.

Rude Prave was quoted as saying that among those arrested were the regional secretary of the Democrat (Roman Catholic) Party, a former headmaster of a Catholic secondary school; and a Catholic monk.—Reuter.

## DEVALUATION RUMOURS DENIED

London, Sept. 17. Mr. D. C. Abbott, Canadian Minister of Finance, who has been attending the second annual meeting of the International Bank and International Monetary Fund here, tonight described as "absolutely without foundation" reports that Canada had decided to de-value the Canadian dollar and to pay a premium on gold production.

"This is an old rumour which is resurrected every few weeks," he added.

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## "Dev" To Have Talks In London

London, Sept. 17. The Prime Minister of Eire, Mr. Eamon de Valera, and his Finance Minister, Mr. Sean Lemass, will arrive in London on Friday for trade talks with the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee and other ministers.

The talks were described by official quarters as likely to be of a purely trade character but the question of the convertibility of sterling and the vital aspect of the dollar crisis, which affects both countries, may also be discussed.

Mr. de Valera has not visited London in an official capacity since before the war. His projected visit at a time when many Commonwealth representatives are in London for the meeting which ended today of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, may provide an opportunity for useful exchanges of view on Commonwealth topics of mutual interest to Eire and her sister nations in the Commonwealth.—Reuter.

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## Vicious Circle In Production

London, Sept. 18. Lord Layton, chairman of the News Chronicle, in an article about Europe's food shortage today, praised American farmers for having done a wonderful job which "saved Western Europe from disaster."

The article entitled "This is the vicious circle is broken and Europe's output recovers, she can neither restore her living standards nor export goods with which to buy things she must import from overseas."—United Press.

"This year Europe will grow only half her pre-war consumption," Lord Layton wrote. "It is, moreover, particularly disturbing that production is materially worse than a year ago with unfavourable weather reducing Europe's harvest by 6,000,000 metric tons."

The article continued: "During and since the war American farmers have done a wonderful job. The wheat crop of the United States, for example, will this year be some 58,000,000 tons compared with an average of 21,500,000 tons in 1934-38. It is the barest truth to say that the increase in America's agricultural production in recent years saved Western Europe from disaster."

"Europe's farmers cannot fill the widening gap between production and requirements until industry can provide tractors and fertilizers and replace war wastage of implements and farm equipment."

Lord Layton concluded: "Until

the European economy is

Japan should be deprived of her "springboards of aggression," a report on the British Commonwealth Conference on the Japanese peace treaty presented to the New Zealand Parliament said today.

New Zealand's chief interest in the Japanese peace settlement was security, the report said.

## Marshall Warning To Kremlin

Paris, Sept. 17. The speech at the United Nations General Assembly today by Mr. George Marshall, the United States Secretary of State, is regarded here as the strongest warning that the United States had so far given to Russia that the United States had no desire to extract large reparations, did not wish to cripple Japan's economy needlessly, and did not wish to go out of her way to injure Japanese susceptibilities.

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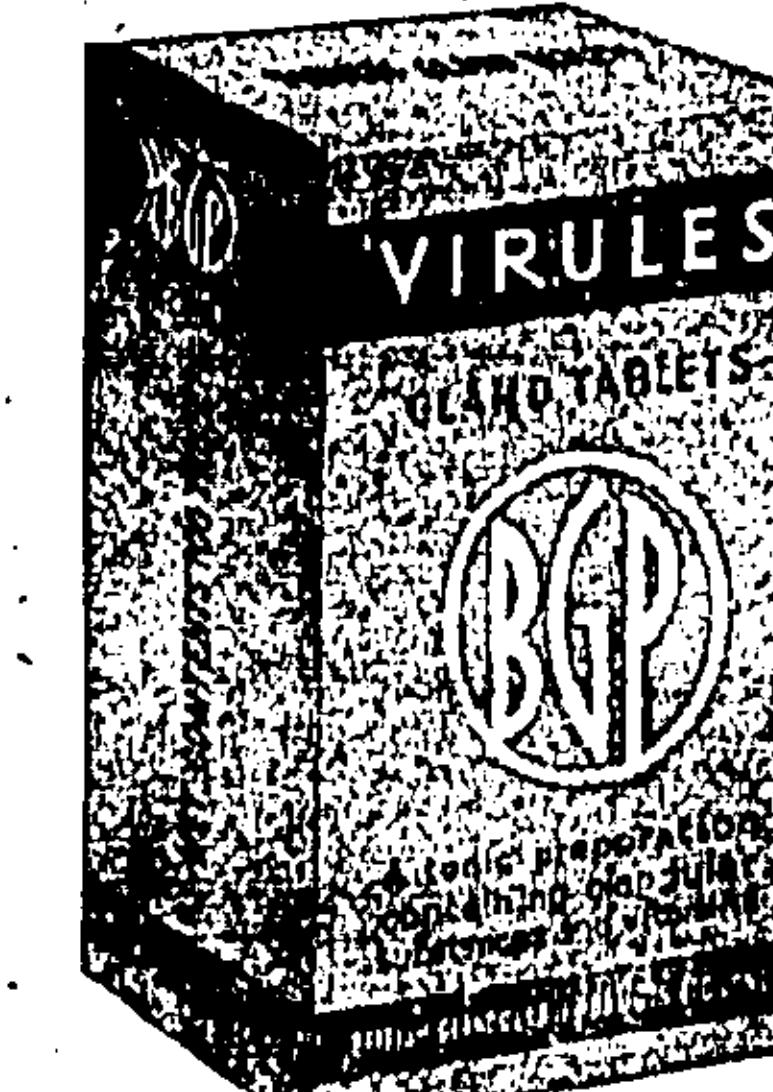
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China Underwriters, Limited  
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support of the application and the exhibits thereto (being lists  
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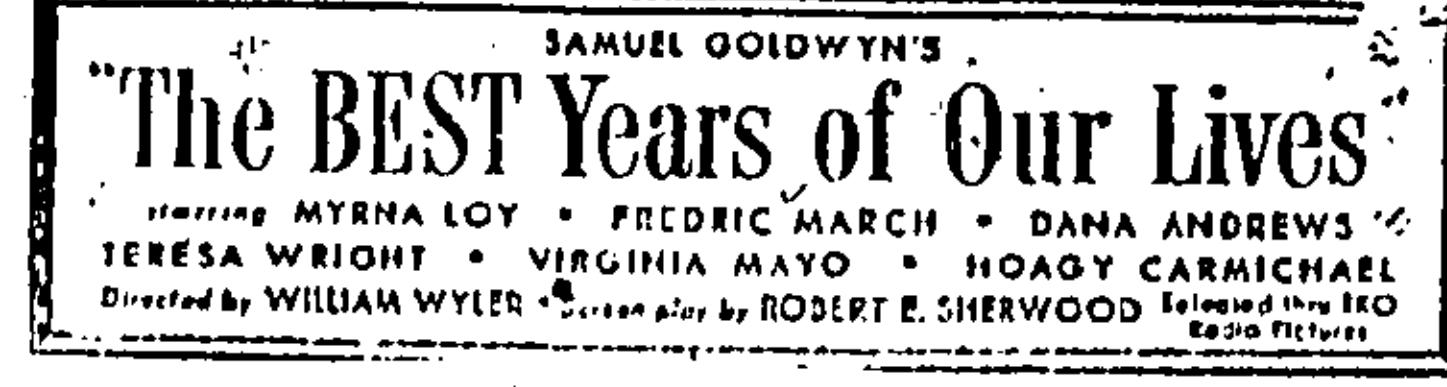
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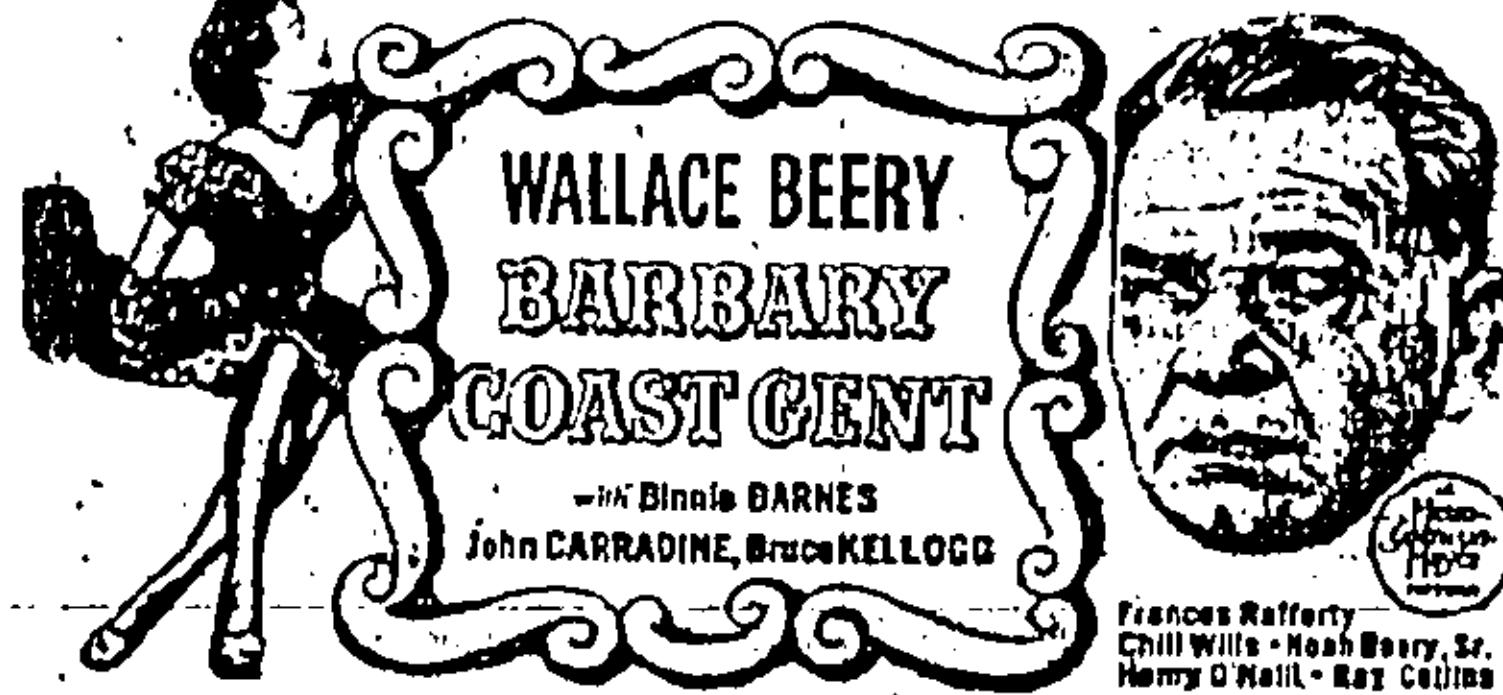
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## Jap Naval Officers For Trial

At 10 o'clock this morning No. 5 Military Court assembles for another War Crimes Trial to try two members of the Imperial Japanese Navy. They are Rear Admiral Sakonju Naomasa and Captain Mayazumi Haruo.

The accused are charged with committing a war crime in that on the high seas at or about midnight of March 18/19, 1944, the accused Rear Admiral Sakonju Naomasa as Commanding Officer of the 16th Squadron, South-West Area Fleet, and the accused captain Mayazumi Haruo, as Officer-in-Command of H.I.J.M.S. "Tene," were, together allegedly concerned in the killing of approximately 65 survivors from the sinking of the British m.v. "Behan," being members of the crew or passengers on the ship.

The court is under the presidency of Lt Col. R. C. Laming, M.R.C., with Major R.S. Butterfield and Lt. Cdr. J.E.D. Smith, R.N., as members.

Maj'r J.T.N. Cross will act as prosecutor and a Japanese lawyer detailed and advised by Lt. Banfield will defend the accused.

## RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and 6.00 to 11.00 p.m., and on 935 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.15 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.

12.15 p.m.—Studio: Morning Prayers.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.45 p.m.—Lion Preacher and His Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Felicity Mendelsohn and Her Hawaiian Serenaders.

1.00 p.m.—Weather Report and Announcements.

1.15 p.m.—Orchestra, Interlude.

1.15 p.m.—Elizabeth Welch (Soprano) and Turner Layton (Piano & Vocal).

1.30 p.m.—Popular Classics.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Studio: Children's Half-Hour.

6.30 p.m.—Light Variety.

6.50 p.m.—Studio: Variety Request Program.

7.00 p.m.—Studio: Variety Request Program.

7.15 p.m.—Close Down.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.

8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.

8.15 p.m.—Made from the Films.

8.30 p.m.—"Tonight at 8.30," Romances from Noel Coward Play, With Gordon Lawrence & Noel Coward.

8.45 p.m.—U.S.A.: The United States Thomas Bonsuett, London Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—Dance to Victor Silvester's Hallroom Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—BBC Transcription Service: "Fellowship of the Frog," by Edgar Wallace, Episode 10.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.

10.15 p.m.—Wanderer's News.

10.45 p.m.—Michael Strauss: "Burlesque."

Elly Ney (Pianist) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

10.50 p.m.—"La Traviata" (Verdi) Act 1.

With Principals, Chorus and Orchestra of The Opera House, Rome.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

The Application

The application was of great importance and the recommendation of the Tribunal, or the failure to recommend, was also of very great importance.

Referring to the application itself, Mr. Loseby said that it did not disclose the grounds on which it was based.

The respondents were in complete darkness as to the grounds of the application.

Mr. Loseby drew the attention of the Tribunal to the fact that the legislation was in itself unique in that it did not lay down the bounds within which the Tribunal had to sit. It was set out in the old Ordinance, but not in the present.

Mr. Loseby suggested that the Tribunal should follow the recognized procedure and make an order for pleadings and discovery and formally make an application to this effect.

Finally, in reference to the Ordinance itself, Mr. Loseby said that when it came to legislation of this kind and type, he must simply say that it shocked him.

It was pointed out to Mr. Loseby that any objection to the Ordinance should have been raised at the time when it was put through its readings.

"Adjournment"

Mr. Loseby then asked for an adjournment to enable him to take instructions on the application from his solicitor.

After much argument, it was finally agreed that Mr. Leo d'Almada should first be heard.

Mr. d'Almada said that the respondents had apparently been lulled into a sense of security and were under the impression that the case would not be heard for some six or seven months.

Mr. Russ had been informed that the case would be dealt with by a Special Tribunal. Mr. Russ had accepted the letter by saying he was in complete darkness as to the grounds of the application.

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## ST. FRANCIS HOTEL FIGURES IN COURT

An application by the H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co. Ltd., under Section 32 of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, seeking a Special Tenancy Tribunal to the Governor for exemption of premises now occupied by the St. Francis Hotel (1933) Ltd., at 18 Queen's Road Central, was heard yesterday before a Special Tribunal comprising Mr. Hin-shing Lo (President), Mr. E. Hospe and Mr. Chung Kwan-hing (Members).

During the course of the hearing, it was stated that the applicants intend to demolish 11 and 13 Queen's Road Central and to erect in place of the present building, a ten-storey building, but that portion of the land would have to be surrendered for the widening of Ice House Street and Queen's Road Central.

Plans for the reconstruction were approved before the war, within the knowledge of the respondents and also since the date of the Lease of Feb. 1940.

The respondents were warned more than once that the premises would be required for reconstruction, within a comparatively short time.

The whole grounds of the application were stated in the letter.

It was the intention of the applicants to pull down the present outmoded and out-dated premises and to erect, in their stead, larger and more convenient building.

The Basis

Mr. d'Almada said that the application was based on Section 32 of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, which enables a Special Tribunal to make recommendations to the Governor for exemption of premises. The matter was one in the absolute discretion of the Tribunal.

He asked the Tribunal to note that every type of premises was covered by the Section.

Mr. d'Almada added that the applicants wanted the St. Francis Hotel out of the premises so as to be able to rebuild.

The small building next to the St. Francis Hotel, 11 Queen's Road Central, would also be demolished.

In the place of the premises now known as 11 and 13 Queen's Road Central, would be erected a ten-storey building.

All the tenants of 11 Queen's Road Central had agreed to quit in due course.

"Both these buildings were at least 60 years old," said Mr. d'Almada, adding that it was on record that 13 Queen's Road Central was in existence in 1887 and there was no evidence that it was a brand new building then. A contract had been entered into by the applicants with Messrs. Leigh & Orange in respect of the reconstruction.

Fair existing local banks had already booked accommodation in the new building and when they were housed in the new building, accommodation would be released for others.

It was expected that the new building could be put up in 15 months. The total floor area available for offices would be 128,000 square feet. The floor space of the present buildings was 47,000 square feet.

Explanation

Explaining why there would not be greater area in the new building, Mr. d'Almada said that a portion of the land would have to be given up for the widening of Ice House Street and Queen's Road Central.

This factor should be taken into consideration by the Tribunal.

Another reason why the area would not be greater was that the size of the building would grow smaller with the height.

Plans for reconstruction had been made before the war and the respondents, who were then tenants of the premises, knew of the proposed development.

Applicants had bought the property with a view to this development. Notice to quit was served pre-war with the same object, but the Japanese came along and occupied the premises while they were here.

The Japs were turned out by the Royal Navy when it arrived in Hong Kong. The premises were taken over for use by the Royal Navy until some time in 1945.

The respondents applied for a lease of the premises. It was originally intended to give them a five month period but eventually a lease for three years was granted.

Mr. d'Almada referred to a series of letters exchanged between the parties from which it was obvious that the respondents were fairly warned that the premises would be required back on three months' notice.

Applicants had, in their letters, warned respondents against it.

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## 540 Outed In Seven Months

Declaring that banishment was an effective deterrent for curbing extortion and gang crimes, Mr. Duncan W. MacIntosh, Commissioner of Police, yesterday disclosed that 540 alien Chinese criminals had been deported from Hong Kong to the Chinese coastal ports of Amoy and Swatow between Jan. 1 and Aug. 1 this year.

"Banishment is regarded as the final solution for the alien criminal who is a proved menace to the good order of the Colony," Mr. MacIntosh declared. Such banishment runs from two months to two years and illegal re-entry may result in the extension of sentence to life banishment.

Mr. MacIntosh added that stiff prison sentences have ended the activities of terrorists who planted bombs in Hong Kong theatres, goldsmith shops and other firms when their demands for money were ignored.

The Police Commissioner also said that 39 alien Chinese criminals had been cleared through Hong Kong from Malaya since May 1, 1946, and that 20 more were due shortly.

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They also wish to thank the Sisters of St. Paul's Hospital and the attending physicians for their kind attention.

PUBLIC RELATIONS  
IN HONG KONG

The memorandum of the Institute of Journalists on the manners and habits of the newest of official functionaries, the Public Relations Officer, makes points in criticism of the system as it has developed in London which tend to be equally applicable in Hong Kong. The P.R.O. says the Institute is beginning to serve the natural aspiration of public bodies to have their virtues and accomplishments publicised and their weaknesses and failures concealed. It adds that the practice of issuing official news in hand-out form threatens to establish a condition approximating to censorship. And it rightly insists that working journalists find difficulty in ensuring accuracy in the presentation of news through the operation of monopolistic tendencies in the control of official sources of information. If that represents anything like the truth about the tone that is set in Britain, circumstances in Hong Kong increase the danger of development along the same disturbing lines, and, in fact, experience has demonstrated that grounds for complaint are already very strong.

We learn from Government that after gorging glutonously for several years on meat to the value of no less than fourteen pence a week we must adapt our already atrophied intellects to a "western" carnal intake of merely twelve pence. Fortunately, however there appears to be nothing—so far—to prevent even the poorest of us from making up for the loss of meat with caviale or quail-in-aspic.

## What To Do

Lurking for months behind an iron curtain of secrecy, the Government has at last been forced, not only by the insistence of the public at large but by many of its own supporters, to come out into the

**100 Years  
Ago**

(From the files of the "China Mail")

A book about "China and the Chinese" from the pen of Mr. Henry Charles Sirr has been published. Mr. Sirr was born during part of 1844 and 45; he migrated to Ceylon, and from thence returned to England. It is believed that he is the writer of a series of trashy articles in the "Dublin University Magazine" and also some particularly scurrilous effusions in which his quarrels, domestic and financial, with people in Ceylon are paraded before the public in the same per-

iodical. He was but a short time in China and his observation (with the exception of a few days passed at Canton and on board ship at Whampoa) was limited to Hong Kong—it's quibbles and its scandals, of which had a full share. However, with the aid of the scholars, and a few old works, a book can be "vamped" up very easily; and though Mr. Sirr can know little about the Chinese from personal knowledge, his "two stout octaves" may be very amusing to those who are not in a position to detect the plagiarisms. Mr. Sirr's career in China was rather a humiliating one; and it is to be hoped he has had the good sense to avoid personal subjects with which at times he was absurdly connected.

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So we must stay and spend our cash in our own country for our moonlighting goods—United Press

# Peiping Today Is A Shadow Of Its Former Self

By Margaret Bradbury

Peiping—one time shopwindow of China, and haunt of many thousands of tourists from all parts of the world each year—is today—unmistakably an anti-foreign city. Particularly, Peiping's native resident population, increased in number by Chinese soldiers, is anti-American.

It is not necessary to read the slogans "Get Out U.S. Troops" and "Down With G.I.'s" which are boldly chalked on the walls of Peiping to become aware of the intense nationalistic feeling and dislike of the foreigner prevalent among the people. In many ways sections of the Chinese in Peiping (who are themselves ruled with a rod of iron by their own police and military authorities) show

the foreigners they are no longer welcome. This attitude applies largely to the Chinese military and police. All over the city these officials are to be seen carrying out acts which plainly belie the old fashioned English belief that a Government employee is also a public servant. With a supreme indifference to the personal right of the individual they stop, interrogate and snarl at any European or American whether on foot or in a vehicle on Peiping's roads.

## Soldier's Wrath

While on a short trip out to the famous Summer Palace recently the car in which I travelled was held up and forced to remain at the side of the road at the pleasure of a

Chinese youth in army uniform who allowed its final passage only after half an hour of argument and interrogation.

The soldier's wrath had sprung from the fact that the driver of the car did not climb out and stand when he was stopped, and neither did the passenger.

On the other hand, a "get the hell out of China" attitude, similar to that existing in Shanghai is slowly but surely fostering among the 5½ thousand Europeans who now make up the 2½ million population of Peiping. How many times during my stay there did I listen to the varying reasons which prevent the departure of people who wish to quit that city.

Rules, regulations and an overpowering atmosphere of corruption and intrigue faces the ordinary foreign citizen who lives there now. Taxes play a large part in the weekly or monthly budgets of the Peiping citizen. There is a 20 per cent tax on food sold in all restaurants plus a percentage on each 1,000 dollars that makes up the entire income. There is a 1½ per cent a month tax for electric street lighting, apart from the interior home lighting payment. A charge for street cleaning is also levied according to each individual's income.

Then there are various contributions which must be made to the authorities, such as the Defence of Peiping, the Education of Students, the Erection of anti-invasion posts, the Press gang which gathers in unwilling conscripts for the Chinese army, and the contribution to the Police Force.

## No Pictures

Photographs are no longer allowed to be taken of many of Peiping's ancient treasures. Before, this practice was encouraged, but now only money can induce the numerous guards in the historic buildings to turn blind eye while the enthusiastic European cameramen snap Chinese Buddhas worshipped hundreds of years ago, ancestral seals and so on of the various ruling dynasties.

Perhaps one of the first things which would appear changed to a prewar visitor to Peiping is the lack of maintenance apparent in the one time well cared for legation quarter. The grassy area which years ago presented a quiet well tended appearance is now in a deceptively unkempt condition. This situation tends to be somewhat surprising when one remembers that China's background is based on culture and spacious grounds and terraced gardens were always a well cared for feature of its cities.

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## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"When Mr. Ponsonby retired he stipulated that the vice presidents each visit him once a week and say, 'Yes, Sir.'"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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THE CARDS

When you knowingly place the initial contract in a less logical declaration than the soundest one, solely because you think you can get a hand better than your partner, you are in effect fighting the cards. Which is something particularly applicable to those situations in which one member of a pair elects to strive for a No Trump game in preference to a major suit bid by his partner, especially if he knows the side has eight cards of the suit.

S. A. K. J. 10 6  
H. A. 8 7  
D. A. 7  
C. 4 5

N. W. F. S. Q. 7 5  
H. Q. 3 2  
D. 10 9 6  
C. Q. 7 2

S. 9 3 2  
H. 9  
D. K. Q. 8 2  
C. K. 10 8 5  
(Dealer: North, East-West vulnerable.)

North East South West  
1 S. Pass. 2 D. Pass  
2 H. Pass. 3 C. Pass  
3 S. Pass. 3 NT

In that bidding North gave South a perfect picture of his hand. His spade rebid made it clear he had five of that suit and only four hearts. South's correct next bid would have been 4-4 Spades. In that contract nothing could have been lost except two tricks in clubs and one in trumps, as all other losers in North's hand could have been thrown on the diamonds.

But another factor was considered by South—he knew he was a better player of the cards than North. In addition, he liked the idea of a club lead coming up to

Can you figure out the throw-in in South could have worked for the contract, if good enough?

## Tomorrow's Problem

S. 8 6 3  
H. K. 8 7 3  
D. K. 6 2  
C. 10 9

S. A. 10 7  
N. W. E. S. J. 4  
H. Q. 10  
D. 10 7 5  
C. A. 8 5 5  
S. K. Q. 9 5 2  
H. A. 6 5 2  
D. A. 8  
C. Q. 6



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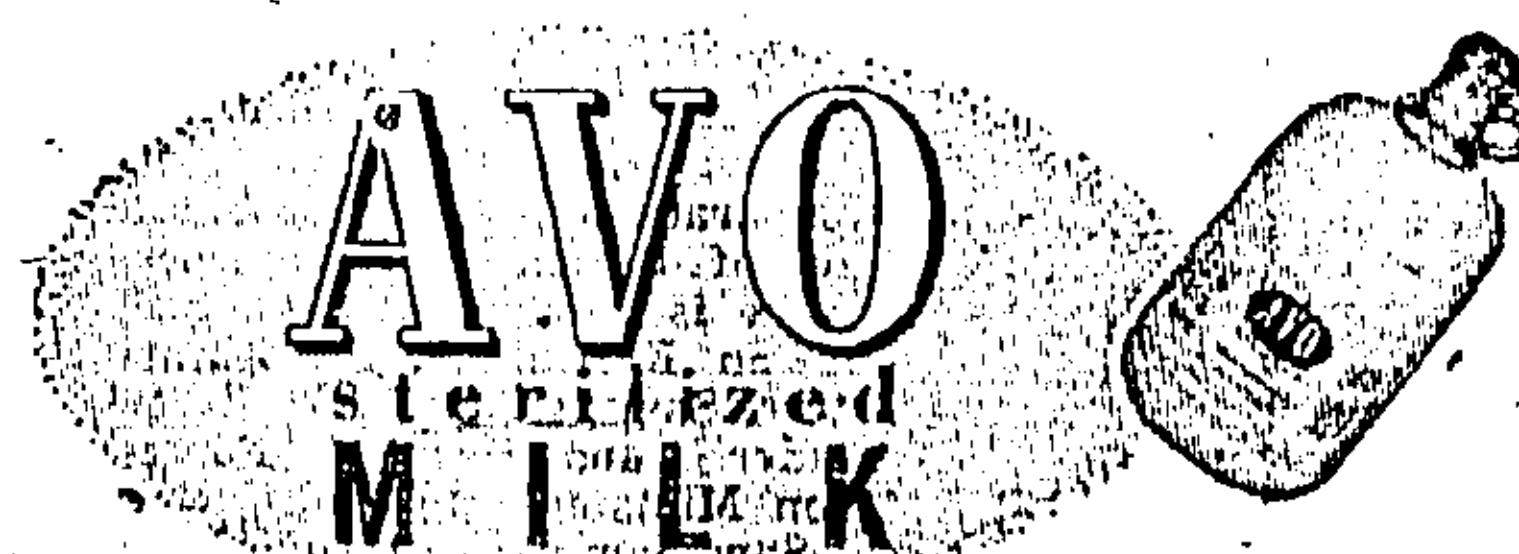
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# INCREASED PRODUCTION GOVERNMENT'S DEMAND

## Raising Of Output By 10 Per Cent

London, Sept. 17. The Government is to make forthright demands for increased production from the average worker, backed by the report of planning experts that output could be raised by 10 per cent without changing the present working day.

This increase—vital in Britain's drive for increased output to avert an economic catastrophe—could be attained in a wide range of industries, with a greater effort, maximum efficiency in equipment and closer cooperation between industry and employees.

The Joint Production Councils, representative of both sides in industry, will be encouraged to speed productivity. The Economic Information and Education Services, designed

to bring home to the country its plight, will be used more extensively.

The Manchester address of Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, pointed to the kind of problem the Government, industry and labour must solve.

It was said that in one factory, rearrangement of labour and machinery proved that increased production of 67 per cent could be achieved with the existing labour force. But as part of the rearrangement, the number of men in special occupation had to be reduced from 10 to five.

## Up Against

"The fact that five men became redundant—although there was an acute overall shortage of labour in the industry—led to the turning down of the whole scheme by the operatives so that the nation is that much the poorer in its crisis," Sir Stafford Cripps said.

"We are absolutely up against it, and we have just got to find the way out—and quickly."

The drive for better use of present working hours is apart from other discussions designed to secure longer hours and split shifts in many industries.—Reuter.

Bridlington, Sept. 17. Eight German prisoners of war and two British sergeant escorts were killed early today when a lorry in which they were travelling hit the level crossing gates at Burton Agnes station near here just as a non-stop express train from Hull to Bridlington was passing.

An army spokesman of the Northern Command said that "for some reason the driver was unable to stop and the lorry crashed through the gate just as the express was passing through."

"The injured began to shout for help. With the groans of those dying it was like a wartime bombing incident," he added.

The son of the station-master said: "It was a terrible sight. There were injured and dead lying about the permanent way for 70 yards. Some of them were badly injured but were not unconscious. I saw one German with both legs taken off"—Reuter.

## Wedemeyer Maintains Silence

Fairfield, Calif., Sept. 17. Lt.-Gen. Albert Wedemeyer landed at Fairfield Army Air Base here at 12.27 p.m. PST today, completing an "easy" 12½-hour flight from Honolulu aboard an Air Transport Command C-54 plane.

Gen. Wedemeyer declined to comment on the report he had prepared. He said, patting his brief case, "Sorry. Everything is in here and I will make my report in Washington."

Shortly after landing, Gen. Wedemeyer took off in a light plane for Crissy Field at San Francisco, where he is to be the guest at luncheon of General Mark Clark, commander of the Sixth Army.

Gen. Wedemeyer is to leave for Washington at 7 p.m. PST. In Washington, the State Department estimated the plane would reach the capital at 11.30 a.m. EDT Thursday.—United Press.

## Grain Exports To Europe Cut Sharply

Chicago, Sept. 18. The government today cut its grain and flour exports to shortage areas abroad while consumer resistance to soaring living costs spread to more cities at home.

The Agriculture Department set November export allocations at 788,800 long tons or 29,600,000 bushels of wheat, flour, in wheat equivalent, and grain sorghums. This is 30 percent below October allocations and 43 percent under the July-October monthly average.

The Department also authorized the November export of 16,876,000 pounds of meat in the last quarter of this year. Officials said the meat export allotment was about one-fourth of one percent of the expected 6,780,000,000 pounds expected to be produced in that period. The shipment was about the same as for the last quarter—discrepancy.

## Chinese Chairman

They proposed to include Czechoslovakia, Poland and even non-members such as Sweden and Switzerland in the tour, but not Russia as it was "too far". Mr. McCloy told a press conference.

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## ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	26th Sept.	m.v. "Halland"
	late Oct.	m.v. "Dona Niceta"

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# EMPIRE CUSTOMS UNION NOW OFFICIAL POLICY

## Discussions With Dominions

London, Sept. 17. A British Commonwealth and Empire customs union has now been accepted as part of the British Government's trade policy, it was authoritatively learned in London tonight. Dominion financial experts now in the capital examining with British Treasury officials the general dollar situation have had the scope of their conversations broadened by the inclusion of the subject of a Commonwealth customs union.

These officials will examine today the implications of the new anything yet about the possible formation by Dominion countries of a customs union, the subject would come up for discussion within the next eight or ten days.

## In November

"We have met and had talks with Treasury officials," he said, "but these have centred mainly on dollar expenditure so far."

When the Dominion Prime Ministers come to London in November they will then be in a position to decide whether, in the light of reports from their experts, the establishment of a customs union will be in the interest not only of their own countries but of the Commonwealth as a whole.

As things stand at the moment, the proposals for a customs union will be on the agenda of the meeting of Prime Ministers in London.

## Not Easy

The suggestion of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, for a Commonwealth customs union might have many advantages, but its accomplishment is fraught with difficulties," declared Sir Stafford Cripps, the President of the Board of Trade, in Edinburgh tonight.

Explaining Scotland's part in his "much more for export" plan to bent the dollar famine crisis, Sir Stafford Cripps said that the customs plan was now being "explored."

Obviously referring to Empire preferences, he added: "But in the meantime, we cannot completely alter our special economic relationship with the rest of the Commonwealth and Empire, which might, in itself, prove to be a step in the direction of a closer customs union."

An Empire customs union was not easy, because of the differences of industrial development in the various Commonwealth countries.

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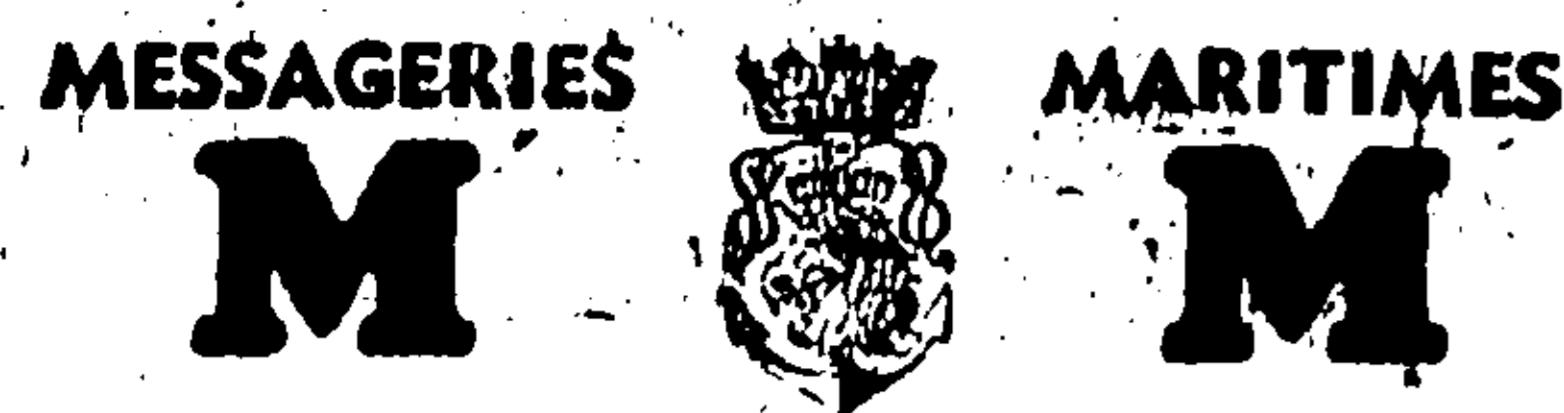
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This mail is expected to arrive at United Kingdom early December, 1947.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered, Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the Ordinary Mail. If mail closes before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel will close at 8 p.m. on previous day.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

Canton (by Train), 7 a.m.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 8 a.m.

Shanghai, 10 a.m.

Tsankow (Kwangtungwan), Noon.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 12.30 p.m.

Canton (by Train), 2 p.m.

Shanghai, 2 p.m.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 4 p.m.

Kunming, 4 p.m.

Canton, 5 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Java, Cairo (Natalib), Johannesburg, Mauritius via Colombo, Auguste and London, U.K., 1 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsinshan and Peiping; Airmail for Chungking, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Canton and Hainan, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, Colombo, Kourala, Brunei and Auckland, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

Airmail for Manila, P.L., Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 10.30 a.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.

Canton (by Train), 7 a.m.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 8 a.m.

Shanghai, Noon.

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Canton (by Train), 2 p.m.

Shanghai, 2 p.m.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 4 p.m.

Kunming, 4 p.m.

Canton, 5 p.m.

RUNDAY, SEPT. 21

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Rangoon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Kweilin and Chungking, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 4 p.m.

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Rangoon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

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MONDAY, SEPT. 23

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Rangoon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 24

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Rangoon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

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Macau, Tsinshan and Shekki, 4 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Rangoon, C.P.O., (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 26

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 27

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 28

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 29

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MONDAY, SEPT. 30

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 31

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## RIGHTS OF APPEAL ON INCOME TAX DUES: REVIEW BOARD SET UP

Announcing that assessment work may start within a month, Commissioner of Inland Revenue Mr. Pudney yesterday issued a statement explaining what right of appeal tax payers have against assessments made on them. Mr. Pudney also disclosed that 20 unofficial members of the community have been selected to serve on Boards of Review to which a dissatisfied tax payer appeal. A Board would consist of four members — a lawyer, an accountant and two businessmen.

Of the estimated \$30,000,000 expected from taxpayers, \$2,250,000 will come from between 30,000 and 40,000 property owners, said the Commissioner. He also estimated that 5,000 individuals would be liable to Salaries and Annuities Tax, and about 20,000 firms to Profit Tax.

The statement issued by the Commissioner yesterday, read in part:

"Any person aggrieved by an assessment made on him has the right of appeal, in the first instance, to the Commissioner of Inland Revenue himself. This right, like the right of appeal generally, applies to any of the four taxes imposed by the Inland Revenue Ordinance. There are no restrictions as to the grounds of appeal, which may be made on a question either of law or of fact."

### On Fact

"Appeals on a question of law may, for example, be founded on a contention that the assessment was made under the wrong Chapter or that all incomes granted by law had not been given effect to; that the income charged should have been exempted under the various exemption provisions; that various deductions allowed by law have not been allowed in the assessment; or that the assessment has been based on accounts for a period not permitted by the law."

### Bound

In such a case, the Commissioner is bound to transmit in writing to the Appellant or his authorised representative, his decision and the reasons therefor, whereupon the Appellant may give notice of appeal to the Board of Review. Such notice should be given in writing to the Clerk to the Board of Review, and must be accompanied by a copy of the Commissioner's written determination and a statement of the grounds of appeal therefrom.

"Appeals on a question of fact may be grounded upon, for instance, a contention that the true income was different from that shown by the Assessor; that certain payments disallowed were, in fact, wholly and exclusively incurred in the production of the profits; that the onus of proving that the assessment is excessive is on the Appellant."

"Any person who wishes to appeal to the Supreme Court should, within one month of the decision of the Board of Review, make application in writing to the Board to state a case for the opinion of the Supreme Court. Such an application must be accompanied by a fee of \$50. On receipt of an application, the Board of Review is bound to state a case setting forth its decision and its reasons therefor. This case stated, will be supplied to the Appellant who, if he wishes to pursue the appeal must transmit it to the Supreme Court within fourteen days after receiving it."

### Judge's Power

Any Judge of the Supreme Court has the power to hear and determine any question of law arising on the stated case and may, in accordance with the decision of the Court, confirm, reduce, increase or cancel the assessment or may return the case to the Board of Review with the opinion of the Court thereon. In the latter instance, the Board is bound to state these grounds for his objection. If he omits to do so, his decision is not valid; i.e., it does not constitute a Notice of Appeal. Taxpayers will have the opportunity of appearing either in person or by an authorised representative before the Commissioner who will hear the case of the Appellant and the Assessor and either confirm, amend or refer back the assessment. Normally, his decision

will be given at the close of the hearing, but if, during the course of the hearing any new evidence is brought forward which was not in the original assessment or Notice of Appeal, the Commissioner may defer his findings or adjourn the case to a later date.

"If a taxpayer is dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioner on appeal a further right is given of appeal to the Board of Review. This Board has been selected from a panel of 20 unofficial members of the Community for their knowledge of taxation, law and business matters generally. Any person wishing to appeal to the Board of Review should declare orally his dissatisfaction with the decision of the Commissioner immediately after it is announced or he should communicate it in writing to the Commissioner within one week of the announcement.

### Small Firms

"This is not so, especially in the case of small businesses, to whom the burden of accountants' charges might be heavy. If, of course, a firm has an outside Auditor, then his certification would carry more weight with this Department than that of the taxpayer himself.

The Demand Notes for Property Tax in respect of the New Territories urban areas Tai Po, Un Long and Tsun Wan have now been issued. These number some 520 and are payable at the Land Offices in Tai Po, Ping Shan and at the Head Office of the District Officer New Territories, Kowloon Municipality, respectively.

"Persons, whether individuals, partnerships, or companies, who are liable to Property Tax and who have not already received a Return Form should now apply for a form to the Inland Revenue Department. Under section 52 (2) of the Inland Revenue Ordinance, 1947, persons chargeable with tax who have not received a Return Form within three months after the commencement of the financial year are required to notify the Commissioner that they are so chargeable.

"Individuals liable to Salaries and Annuities Tax need not yet apply since individual Return Forms under this tax have not yet all been sent out.

### Forms

"All persons employing individuals who may be liable to Salaries and Annuities Tax, if they have not already received a form requiring them to return the income of these employees, are requested to notify the Commissioner immediately."

"Those persons who have received return forms but have not yet completed and submitted them to this Department should submit them by the due date even though they may have incurred losses, or their profits are insufficient to make them liable to tax. If the due date is already passed they should submit their return immediately, or if further time is required, apply for an extension."

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## Anti-U.S. Feeling Sensed In Orient

New York, Sept. 18. Rising nationalism has resulted in the development of anti-American commercial discrimination throughout the Orient, said Bernard G. Davis, publisher, after a 10-week business survey of Asia.

He summarised his finding in an article in the current issue of "Banking," under the title of "Asia's Not So Open Door." Davis reported that only in Siam does American commerce appear to be sincerely welcomed. He wrote that China's economics are being played against the United States, businessmen to discourage them, with the immediate objective of preventing foreign exchange for imports, and a long range objective of discouraging all foreigners from doing business in China.

He found gloomy prospects for American business even in the Philippines, where America is presumed to be a favoured nation.

Even in Japan, under the

iron rule of General Douglas MacArthur, Davis said, the American businessmen encounter formidable difficulties. Possibilities for American enterprise for Japan are considered more solid and more promising for the immediate future than any other spot in the Orient," Davis added. —Associated Press

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## Louis Gets In Shape



On December 5 at Madison Square Garden Joe Louis will defend his world heavyweight title against Jersey Joe Walcott. Here, as a training precaution against face cuts, Louis gets a coating of vaseline from Trainer Mannie Seamon.

## CRICKET AVERAGES

London, Sept. 18. The dominating influence of the Middlesex pair, Denis Compton and Bill Edrich, on the 1947 cricket season is clearly shown by their figures, which place them first and second in the first class batting averages.

Scoring 3,816 runs and making 18 centuries, Compton set new figures for the highest aggregate in a season, beating Tom Hayward's 3,616 in 1936, and for the most hundreds, surpassing Jack Hobbs' 16 in 1926.

Edrich also passed Hayward's total, and the pair finished in the same season.

Compton's average of 90.85 has been bettered, instances being Don Bradman's 115.80 when the Australians were in England in 1938, and Herbert Sutcliffe's 96.96 in 1931.

Another remarkable achievement was that of Tom Goddard, 46-year-old Gloucestershire off-spin bowler, who took 238 wickets for 17.30 each, despite the prevailing hard wickets.

Three men completed the 1,000 runs-100 wickets double. First, as in 1946, was R. Howorth, of Worcestershire, the other two being the Essex cuzzins, Ray and Peter Smith.

The first 12 in the averages were:

### BATTING (QUALIFICATION EIGHT INNINGS)

	Inns.	Not outs	Runs	Highest	Average
Denis Compton (Middlesex)	50	8	3,816	240	90.85
W. J. Edrich (Middlesex)	52	8	3,639	207	80.43
E. Lester (Yorkshire)	11	2	1,657	142	73.00
C. Washbrook (Lancs.)	47	8	2,662	251	68.25
Leslie Ames (Kent)	42	7	2,272	212 n.o.	44.91
Joe Hardstaff (Notts.)	44	7	2,196	221 n.o.	49.75
Len Hutton (Yorkshire)	44	4	2,085	270 n.o.	46.62
W. Place (Lancs.)	47	7	2,061	266 n.o.	42.52
M. P. Donnelly (Oxford)	30	6	1,888	162 n.o.	62.00
M. W. Wallop (Somerset)	18	2	971	264	53.88
J. D. Robertson (Middlesex)	57	4	2,700	229	52.07
J. R. Thompson (Warwick)	8	0	378	90	47.25

### BOWLING (QUALIFICATION TEN WICKETS)

	Overs	M.	R.	W. Average
J. C. Clay (Glamorgan)	495.3	126	1,069	65 16.44
T. Goddard (Glos.)	1,451.2	344	4,119	238 17.30
J. A. Young (Middlesex)	1,291.1	416	2,765	159 17.88
W. Bowes (Yorks.)	790	275	1,277	73 17.49
R. Howorth (Worcester)	1,254	375	2,029	164 17.85
J. C. Lamer (Surrey)	575.5	135	1,420	79 17.97
G. H. Pope (Derby)	780.1	186	2,000	114 18.58
C. J. Barnett (Glos.)	859	102	937	50 18.74
L. B. Munro (Glamorgan)	802.2	203	2,018	107 18.85
R. Aspinall (Yorks.)	225	37	1,002	36 19.22
I. Bedford (Middlesex)	168.5	35	484	25 19.36

—Reuter.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R. H. E.
Chicago	0 7
New York	5 7
St. Louis (1st game)	9 12
Boston	4 9
St. Louis (2nd game)	0 1
Boston	4 10
Detroit (1st game)	4 7
Philadelphia	6 9
Detroit (2nd game)	8 7
Philadelphia	8 15
Winning pitcher Phil Sheldon	0 Northampton

—Reuter.

### U.S. BASEBALL

New York, Sept. 18. Results of today's baseball fixtures were:

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R. H. E.
Winning pitcher Alie Reynolds	0 7
St. Louis (1st game)	9 12
Boston	4 9
Winning pitcher Bob Muelert	0 1
St. Louis (2nd game)	0 1
Boston	4 10
Winning pitcher Joe Dobson	3 7
Detroit (2nd game)	8 7
Philadelphia	8 15
Winning pitcher Phil Sheldon	0 Northampton

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### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R. H. E.
Winning pitcher J. V. Meers	0 10</td